

# CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD

## CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

11020 Sun Center Drive, Suite 200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

concerning

Notice of Application for Modification of Waste Discharge Requirements  
(National Pollution Discharge Elimination System Permit  
for

### **AEROJET-GENERAL CORPORATION SACRAMENTO COUNTY**

Aerojet-General Corporation currently discharges treated groundwater from its Groundwater Extraction and Treatment (GET) Systems to Buffalo Creek, Morrison Creek and the American River in the City of Rancho Cordova. Business activities at the Aerojet facility include development of rocket propulsion systems, engineering, manufacturing and testing, and custom and specialty chemical and pharmaceutical manufacturing and related activities. The proposed modifications allow for the additional discharge of up to 4400 gallons per minute (gpm) from Aerojet's GET H facility to Morrison Creek and/or American River, 3200 gpm from GET K to Morrison Creek and/or American River and 1000 gpm from GETL/L1 to the American River. The treatment systems remove the contaminants of concern - volatile organics to below 0.5 parts per billion (ppb), perchlorate to less than 4 ppb, and NDMA to less than 0.002 ppb prior to discharge.

A **formal** public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Regional Board meeting, which is scheduled for:

DATE: 28/29 November 2005  
TIME: 8:30 a.m.  
PLACE: Regional Water Quality Control Board  
11020 Sun Center Drive, Suite 200  
Rancho Cordova, California

The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

- Staff of Central Valley Regional Board
- Aerojet-General Corporation

Only designated parties will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to introduce exhibits; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. All other persons wishing to testify or provide comments are interested persons and not designated parties. Such interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Board no later than **16 November 2005**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and in particular how the person is directly affected by the discharge.

Persons wishing to comment on this noticed informal hearing item must submit evidence, if any, or comments in writing to the Regional Board no later than **20 November 2005**. Written evidence or comments submitted after **20 November 2005** will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice any party.

All interested persons may speak at the Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony will be limited in time by the Board Chair.

Anyone having questions on proposed waste discharge requirements should contact Alexander MacDonald at (916) 464-4625. Interested parties may download the proposed Order and related documents from the Regional Board's Internet website at <http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/rwqcb5/tenative/>. If you do not have Internet access, these documents may be inspected and copied at the Regional Board's office at 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. by appointment.

The procedures governing Regional Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and is available upon request. Hearings before the Regional Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing [http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/water\\_laws/index.html](http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/water_laws/index.html). Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Regional Board's website at [http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/rwqcb5/board\\_meetings/mtgprocd.html](http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/rwqcb5/board_meetings/mtgprocd.html) or by contacting any one of the Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Janice Tanaka at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Janice Tanaka at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

Original Signed by:  
JACK E. DEL CONTE, Assistant Executive Officer